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TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA PRIORITY

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AMEMBASSY NIAMEY

C O N F I D E N T I A L ABIDJAN 0130

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: FOLLOW-UP WITH GOIC TO SCHAUFLE MEETINGS ON ANGOLA

REF: (A) ADDIS ABABA 0110 (B) ADDIS ABABA 0121

1. IN ABSENCE FOREIGN MINISTER USHER AND DIRECTOR OF CABINET
NOUAMA, WHO DEPARTED MORNING JANUARY 5 FOR ADDIS VIA PARIS, I
SPOKE TO SECRETARY-GENERAL OF FOREIGN MINISTRY HONORE POLNEAU
ABOUT FOLLOW-UP TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S SCHAUFLE'S VISIT,
INCLUDING CERTAIN POINTS FROM HIS CONVERSATION WITH SENGHOR
AND FROM AMBASSADOR WILKOWSKI'S CONVERSATIONS WITH PRESIDENT
KAUNDA ON TACTICS LIKELY AT OAU CM AND SUMMIT OVER ANGOLA. I
ALSO FILLED HIM IN, WITHOUT CITING SOURCES, ON

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POSSIBLE TACTICS FORESEEN BY OAU SECRETARIAT MEMBERS

(REFTELS). I SUGGESTED HE MIGHT WISH TO PASS THIS INFORMATION TO USHER IN ADDIS.

2. IN VIEW "ARCHAIC" COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM EMPLOYED BY GOIC, POLNEAU SUGGESTED IT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL IF I COULD PASS CERTAIN POINTS BACK TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS TO CONVEY TO IVORIAN AMBASSADOR THERE FOR HIS FOREIGN MINISTER.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE, THEREFORE, IF AMEMBASSY ADDIS COULD ADVISE IVORIAN AMBASSADOR OF SUBSTANCE OF REF A, PARAS 1. B, C AND D, AND REF B, ALL OF MESSAGE.

4. POLNEAU REMARKED THAT USHER WOULD HAVE NO TROUBLE DEALING WITH TACTICS OF RADICALS TO CHANGE AGENDA HEADINGS OR TO SEPARATE SOUTH AFRICAN ROLE FROM SOVIET ROLE, BUT HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE VERY USEFUL FOR USHER TO KNOW IN ADVANCE THAT SUCH TACTICS WERE POSSIBLY GOING TO BE FOLLOWED.

5. HE DID NOT THINK IT NECESSARY TO CONVEY ANYTHING FURTHER REGARDING SENGHOR'S OR KAUNDA'S POSITIONS TO USHER. HE DID REMARK, HOWEVER, THAT SENGHOR OFTER TENDED TO SOUND VERY FIRM IN ADVANCE BUT COMPROMISE WHEN CHIPS WERE DOWN.
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